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Re:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$950.00 to cover: \$450.00 - Two (2) Month Extension of Time Fee; and \$500.00 - Notice of Appeal;
- -2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a);
 - Notice of Appeal from Examiner to The Board of Patent Appeals and 3. Interferences;
 - 4. Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review;
 - Arguments to Accompany the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review; and 5.
 - 6. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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